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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT &amp; TRADEMARK OFFICE

<b>AMENDMENT/      RESPONSE</b>	Application No.	09/916,612
	Filing Date	July 27, 2001
	First Named Inventor	Dhirubai Patel
	Application Title:	Ring Laser Gyroscope Having Combined Electrode and Getter
	Group Art Unit	2875
	Examiner Name	Macchiarolo, Peter J.
	Attorney Docket No.:	GCD00.30

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Examiner's Action mailed January 2, 2003 in the above-identified application. A petition for a one month extension of time is included herewith so that this response is timely filed. Entry of the response into the application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.115 is respectfully requested.

**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION (37 C.F.R. 1.8a)**

I hereby certify that these papers, along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed, are being sent via electronic facsimile transmission to Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Attn: Examiner Peter J. Macchiarolo, Art Unit 2875, facsimile telephone number, 1-703-872-9318

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